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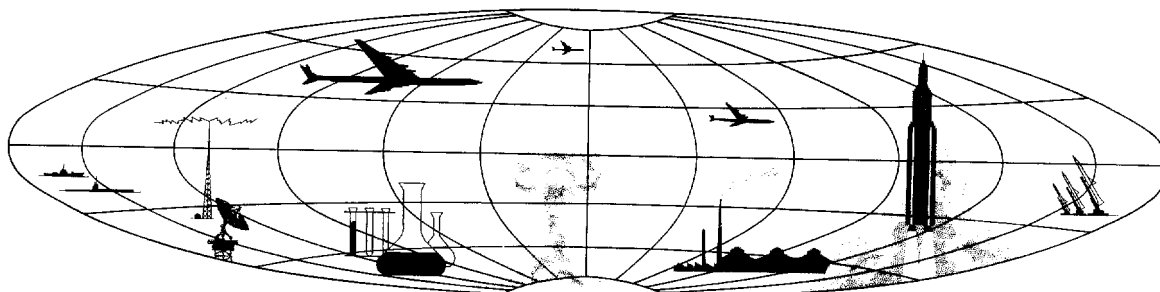
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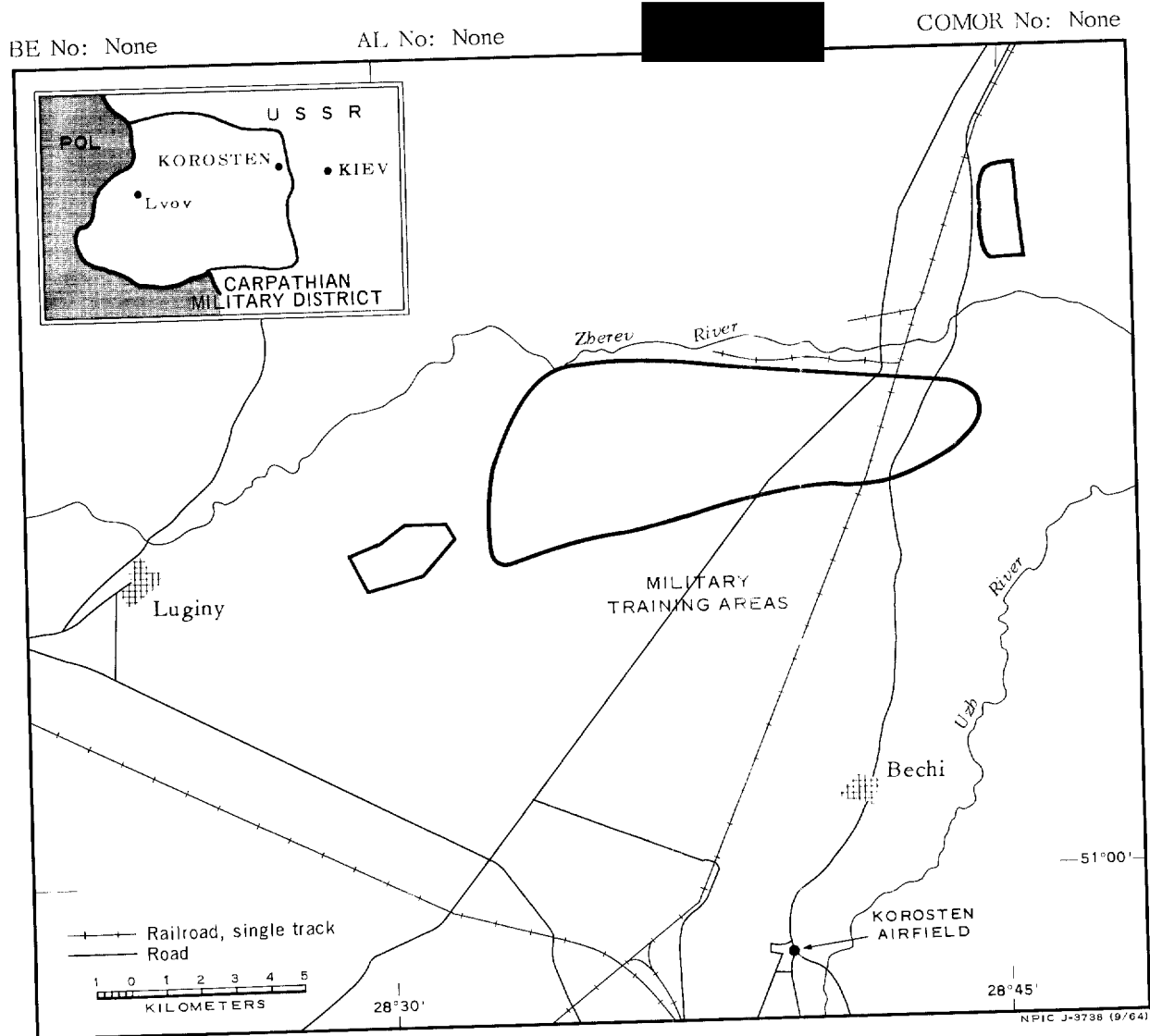
PREFACE

This report is one in a series on Soviet Ground Force and Logistic installations being prepared for a DIA/CIA Panel. The series is being coordinated, published and disseminated by NPIC. The photographic analysis is being performed by the NPIC Photographic Analysis Group, the CIA Photographic Intelligence Division (NPIC), and the Production Center 1P1c (DIA). The photographic analysis for this particular report was performed by the Production Center 1P1c.

In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

MILITARY TRAINING AREAS
(COORDINATES: SEE TEXT)
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SUMMARY

Three military training areas are located north of Korosten (Figure 1).

Training Area I is located 19 kilometers (km) north of Korosten at 51-07N 028-42E. Facilities at this 30,000-acre training area include five tank/assault-gun firing ranges, two probable flat-trajectory firing ranges, a tracked-vehicle driver-training area, five 6-gun field artillery positions, one 6-gun AAA position, an aircraft bombing/strafing range with 11 aircraft silhouettes, a probable combat training area, and a bivouac area containing approximately eight permanent storage/maintenance buildings, several small support buildings, a C-shaped probable vehicle maintenance building, and an athletic field. There is also an

Training Area II covers 1,200 acres and is located 25 km northwest of Korosten at 51-05N

028-22E. Facilities here include four probable wheeled-vehicle driver-training areas, two figure-8 wheeled-vehicle driver-training courses, three probable small-arms ranges, and a barracks area.

Training Area III covers 2,000 acres and is located 26 km north-northwest of Korosten at 51-12N 028-47E. Facilities consist of a tracked-vehicle driver-training area with one large and two smaller elliptical patterns and several trench systems.

A comparative study of KEYHOLE missions from [REDACTED] reveals no major changes in the area. All training areas are active in the summer months and Training Area I appeared active in [REDACTED] with tracks observed on the tank/assault-gun firing range and the driver-training course. Training areas II and III did not appear active on photography of [REDACTED]. Photography of [REDACTED] shows all areas active.

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DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

The Korosten-Ovruch railroad passes through the eastern edge of Training Area I and just west of Training Area III, but no loading ramps were observed.

Road Service

Secondary roads serve all training areas.

Administrative and Troop Housing Area

Area D (Figure 2) is a bivouac area containing several small permanent buildings and a large C-shaped probable vehicle maintenance building.

Ammunition Storage Area

Area F contains four probable ammunition

storage buildings measuring approximately 70 by 50 feet. This area has two security fences around it.

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Areas

Area J1 contains a 250- by 100-foot equipment storage/maintenance building with approximately 30 vehicles parked in the vicinity.

Area J2 contains a C-shaped probable vehicle/maintenance building with a 500- by 70-foot base and 150- by 70-foot wings.

Athletic Field

An athletic field is located in Area D.

Small-Arms Firing Ranges

Areas L1 and L2 are 600- by 100-foot

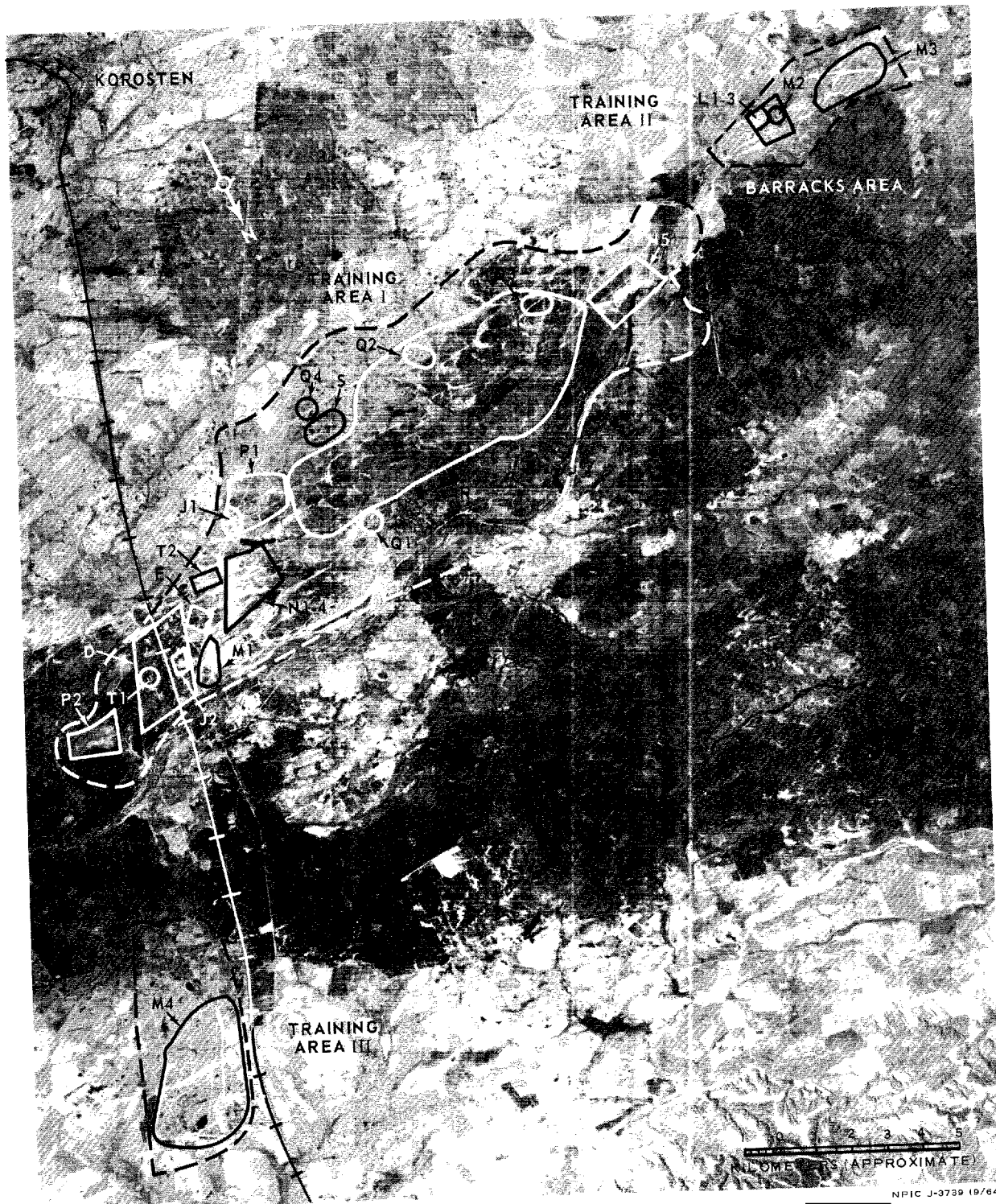


FIGURE 2. MILITARY TRAINING AREAS, KOROSTEN, ZHITOMIRSKAYA OBLAST, USSR, [REDACTED]

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small-arms firing ranges.

Area L3 is a 400- by 75-foot small-arms firing range.

Driver-Training Areas

Area M1 is an elliptical, closed-circuit, tracked-vehicle driver-training course.

Area M2 contains two figure-8 closed-circuit, wheeled-vehicle driver-training courses.

Area M3 contains an irregular-shaped, closed-circuit, probable wheeled-vehicle, driver-training course.

Area M4 contains one large and two smaller elliptical, closed-circuit, tracked-vehicle, driver-training courses.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Ranges

Area N1 is a 4,400-foot firing range with four 2,800-foot lanes and one impact area and two moving targets.

Area N2 is a 4,400-foot firing range with four 2,800-foot lanes and two moving targets.

Area N3 is a 4,400-foot firing range with three 2,800-foot lanes and four moving targets.

Area N4 is a 3,000-foot range with three 2,000-foot lanes and an impact area.

Area N5 is a 4,600-foot range with six 2,800-foot lanes and four moving targets.

Flat-Trajectory Firing Ranges

Area P1 is a 4,000-foot flat-trajectory firing range with a probable impact area. Lack of

ground scarring in the vicinity of the target area indicates probable use by small caliber weapons or training ammunition.

Area P2 is a 3,800-foot flat-trajectory firing range with several targets at various distances.

Artillery Emplacements

Area Q1 is a six-position AAA site.

Areas Q2 and Q3 are field artillery emplacements, each with two six-gun positions.

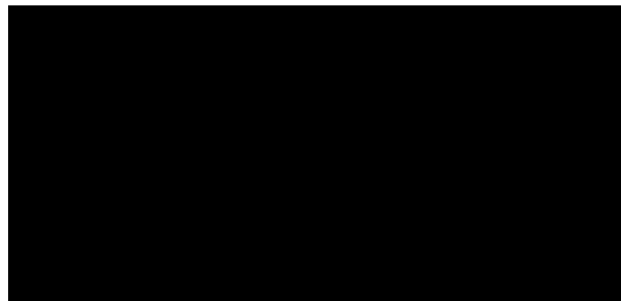
Area Q4 is a six-position field artillery emplacement.

Infantry or Combined Arms Field Training Area or Courses

Area R contains considerable ground scarring, trenches, tracks, field artillery positions, and a probable firing area.

Special Training Facility

Area S is an aircraft strafing area containing 11 aircraft silhouettes and a bombing circle.

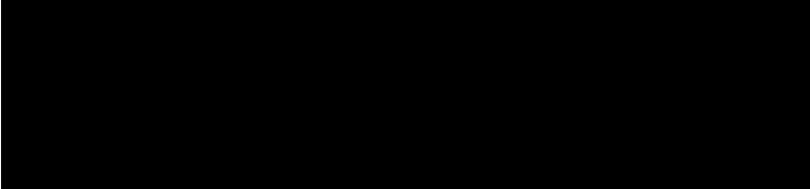


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